IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In re Appln. Of: OOHASHI et al.

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For: PHOTODIODE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be made to the aboveidentified Application prior to examination.

Please amend the Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this Amendment.

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